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H. R. 5303

To amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to limit assistance to the Palestinian Authority.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROYCE (for himself, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Deutch, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. Poe of Texas, and Mr. Rothman of New Jersey) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Palestinian Peace Pro-
- 5 motion and Anti-Incitement Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.
- 7 It is the sense of Congress that—

1	(1) the Palestinian Authority has not fully lived
2	up to its prior agreements with Israel to end incite-
3	ment; and
4	(2) the Palestinian Authority should do more to
5	prepare the Palestinian people for peace with Israel.
6	SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIAN
7	AUTHORITY.
8	Chapter 1 of part III of the Foreign Assistance Act
9	of 1961 is amended—
10	(1) by redesignating the second section 620J
11	(as added by section 651 of Public Law 110–161)
12	as section 620M; and
13	(2) by adding at the end the following:
14	"SEC. 620N. LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE TO THE PALES-
15	TINIAN AUTHORITY.
16	"(a) Prohibition of Funds.—No funds may be
17	provided under this Act to the Palestinian Authority.
18	"(b) Waiver.—The prohibition included in sub-
19	section (a) shall not apply if the President certifies in writ-
20	ing to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
21	President pro tempore of the Senate, and the Committees
22	on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and
23	Foreign Relations of the Senate that waiving such prohibi-
24	tion is important to the national security interests of the
25	United States.

- 1 "(c) Report.—Whenever the waiver authority pur-
- 2 suant to subsection (b) is exercised, the President shall
- 3 submit to the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House
- 4 of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Rela-
- 5 tions of the Senate a report detailing the justification for
- 6 the waiver, the purposes for which the funds will be spent,
- 7 and the accounting procedures in place to ensure that the
- 8 funds are properly disbursed. Such report shall also detail
- 9 the steps the Palestinian Authority has taken to arrest
- 10 terrorists, confiscate weapons, and dismantle the terrorist
- 11 infrastructure.
- 12 "(d) CERTIFICATION.—If the President exercises the
- 13 waiver authority under subsection (b), the Secretary of
- 14 State shall certify and report to the Committees on For-
- 15 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives and Foreign
- 16 Relations of the Senate prior to the obligation of funds
- 17 that—
- 18 "(1) the Palestinian Authority has established a
- single treasury account for all Palestinian Authority
- financing and all financing mechanisms flow through
- this account, no parallel financing mechanisms exist
- outside of the Palestinian Authority treasury ac-
- count, and there is a single comprehensive civil serv-
- 24 ice roster and payroll; and

1 "(2) the Palestinian Authority no longer en-2 gages in a pattern of incitement against the United 3 States or Israel and is engaged in peace preparation 4 activities aimed at promoting peace with the Jewish 5 State of Israel. 6

"(e) Definitions.—In this section:

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- INCITEMENT.—The "(1) term 'incitement' means any of the following that is sponsored, supported, or directed by officials or employees of the Palestinian Authority or Palestinian Authority-controlled, sponsored, or supported electronic, broadcast, and print media, schools, mosques, and institutions:
 - "(A) Statements, media, communication, or other activities against any religion, ethnicity, or nationality.
 - "(B) Advocacy, endorsement, or glorification of violence, martyrdom, or terrorism.
 - "(C) Endorsement, glorification, honor, or other memorialization of any person or group that has advocated, sponsored, or committed acts of terrorism, including the naming after or dedication to such person or group of any school, community center, camp, stadium, pub-

lic square, street, land, landmark, waterway, or
other facility.

- "(2) Peace preparation activities' means Arabic-language communications and educational activities sponsored by the Palestinian Authority, which are communicated or administered via electronic, broadcast and print media, schools, mosques and statements by government officials that may include the following:
 - "(A) Public acknowledgments of the State of Israel's right to exist as a Jewish state.
 - "(B) Firm public commitments to and endorsements of peaceful co-existence with the Jewish State of Israel.
 - "(C) Production, distribution, and public display via all media platforms, schools, mosques, educational materials and elsewhere of maps that show the State of Israel existing as 'Israel' side-by-side with 'Palestine' and halting all production, distribution, or public display of maps that do not include a state of Israel; and

1	"(D) renouncing any and all future rights
2	or claims to commit acts of violence against
3	Israel.".

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